

## 1 Peter (Week 2)

1/17/21

Call to Action: Scripture Reading (**Isaiah 6:3-5**)

### 1 Peter 1

13 Therefore, **preparing your minds for action**, and being *sober-minded*, set your hope fully on the grace that will be brought to you at the revelation of Jesus Christ.

14 As obedient children, do not be conformed to the passions of your former ignorance, 15 but as **he who called you is holy, you also be holy in all your conduct**, 16 since

it is written, "You shall be holy, for I am holy." 17 And if you call on him as Father who judges impartially according to each one's deeds, conduct yourselves with **fear**

throughout the time of your exile, 18 knowing that you were ransomed from the futile ways inherited from your forefathers, not with perishable things such as silver or gold,

19 but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. 20

He was foreknown before the foundation of the world but was made manifest in the last times for the sake of you 21 who through him are believers in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God.

22 **Having purified your souls** by your obedience to the truth for a **sincere brotherly love**,

**love one another** earnestly from a pure heart, 23 since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God; 24 for

"All flesh is like grass and all its glory like the flower of grass. The grass withers and the flower falls, 25 but the word of the Lord remains forever." And this word is the good news that was preached to you.

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- **He is Holy** – holy is to be set apart, specifically from evil or sin. Cf. Leviticus 19:2  
Holiness is one of the most important characteristics of God.  
Cf. Exodus 15:11; Isaiah 53:57:15; Psalm 47:8; 77:13; 1 Samuel 2:2

- **You also be holy** – this is impossible...

#### **Isaiah 6:3-5**

"And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!" And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!"

Cf. **Hebrew 12:14**

**The difference between God and us is that He is inherently holy while we only become holy in relationship to Jesus.**

**Hebrews 13:12** So Jesus also suffered outside the gate in order to sanctify the people through his own blood.

We reflect His holy nature. Others see Christ in me the hope of glory.

- **Preparing your minds for action** –

**1 Thessalonians 5:23** *Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.*

Sober-minded (self-control/fruit of the spirit) - free from intoxicating influences, or anything that would lead us away from the mind of Christ.

Cf. Titus 2:2-6; 1 Timothy 3:2; 2 Timothy 4:5

**Our holiness only increases in practical spiritual maturity.**

**1 Corinthians 2:13-16**

*“And we impart this in words not taught by human wisdom but taught by the Spirit, interpreting spiritual truths to those who are spiritual. The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned. The spiritual person judges all things, but is himself to be judged by no one. “For who has understood the mind of the Lord so as to instruct him?” But we have the mind of Christ.”*

Cf. **Romans 12:2; Ephesians 5:26; John 17:17; Psalm 119:11**